THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): A statement is attached.

Statement

Railways	1974			1987		
	Officers (As on 31st March)	Other regular Staff	Casual Labour (Approx)	Officers (As on 31st March)	Other regular Staff	Casual Labour (As on 31st January)
Central	965	185,779	45,000	1,370	213,723	36,221
Eastern	1,015	204,998	37,000	1,366	225,976	20,168
Northern	1,082	204,637	46,000	1,568	229,948	46,811
North-Eastern	561	94,690	20,000	750	108,346	14,529
Northeast Frontier	485	83,035	4,000	706	83,454	8,326
Southern	846	133,955	37,000	1,157	141,045	20,165
South Central	637	103,291	18,000	1,036	128,905	21,707
South Eastern	1,050	185,460	33,000	1,525	204,487	13,957
Western	1,048	188,507	30,500	1,325	207,806	21,597

Management Decision for Extension of Retirement Age for AIR Hostesses

2236. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Air India Cabin Crew Association had held discussions with the management on the question of extension of retirement age for air hostesses;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether any conclusions has been arrived at during the discussions; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) and (b) Some demands have been made by the Air India Cabin Crew Association, one of which relates to extension in the age of retirement for air hostesses.

(c) and (d) The management of Air India has constituted a committee consisting of the representatives of the management and the association to study and discuss the issues and to make recommendations.

House building loans in Air India and Indian Airlines

2237. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the rules for house building loans in Air India and Indian Airlines for Air Hostesses and flight pursuers;

(b) what are the reasons for the differentiation, if any;